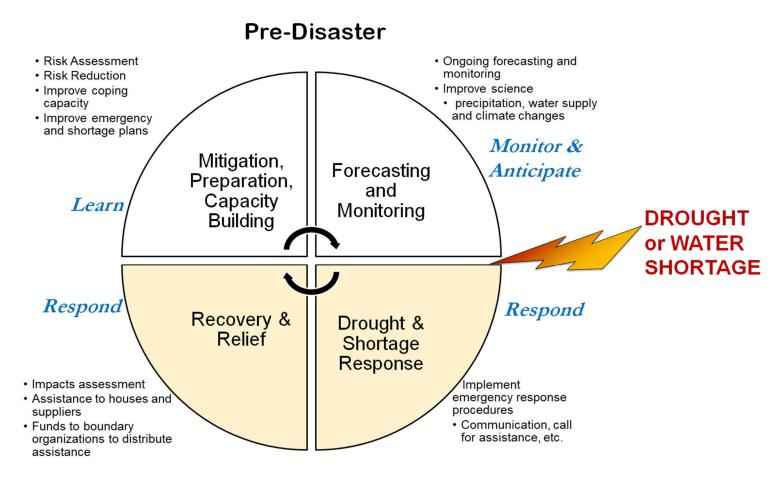
Drought and Water Shortage in California: Disaster Risk Management for Small Suppliers and Rural Communities

Drought planning and management involves several key activities, including but not limited to emergency response procedures and water shortage contingency planning. Forecasting water shortages and associated risks, acknowledging vulnerabilities, reduction mitigating for shortages are all critical to reduce the reliance on crisis management. Below we present four commonly used groups of activities used for drought planning. These include both crisis management (during and post-event) and risk management (i.e. including early forecasting and preparing to reduce risks).



During/Post Disaster

Phase	Component	Roles & Responsibilities (who does what). Fill in below
During Disaster Phase 1: Drought Response	Emergency Response Protocol activated	Federal State:
	Who responds when shortage level reached	
	Further actions in response to shortage levels	
	Who oversees communicat e protocols and public awareness program	
	Who is lead coordinator between agencies and organization s involved in response	
	Implement outreach and awareness program	

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After Disaster Phase 2: Relief & Recovery	Impact assessment Distribution of technical assistance	TBD Document impacts from event to inform future risk reduction
	Impact relief	Supplier, household, or other
	Provide resources and funding when available for improving systems, rehabilitatin g, etc.	

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Before Disaster Phase 3: Preparation, Mitigation and Capacity Building	Vulnerability and Risk assessment	DWR creating first iteration based on statewide available data, to be augmented by regional organization if possible with locally available data (GSA, County, or others) • List priority at risk suppliers and communities (DWR lead as first iteration in 2020, TBD as lead in future)
	Mitigation	County Include drought as hazard in local hazard mitigation plans
	Risk reduction	Supplier • Replace redwood storage tanks with steel tanks
	Define shortage levels and triggers	
	Define shortage response actions	
	Designate drought and water shortage coordinator for activities and establish hotline to assist affected communities	
	Describe procedures and protocols to communicat e and inform communities and responsible agencies	
	Plan how to coordinate between local suppliers, agencies, regional entities and the state	

Before Disaster Phase 3 (cont.): Preparation, Mitigation and Capacity Building	Develop emergency response plan for water shortage	
	Identify financial consequenc es of water shortage conditions	
	Secure funding to respond to water shortage contingency	
	Plan for how to coordinate and channel emergency funds for recovery programs	
	Assess communities ' water supply sources and reliability	
	Description of potential opportunitie s to improve resilience to drought and water shortage	Examples: well rehabilitation, supply diversification, adjacent water systems, agreements with large suppliers
	Actions to improve efficiency and who will implement	Examples: voluntary conservation, leak repairs, use of recycled water

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Before Disaster Phase 4: Forecast & Monitoring	Forecasting	Federal - Funds science - Data collection and monitoring, NOAA State - DWR with universities, federal, WRCC; Continued science to understand meteorology of drought Local/Regional (GSA, County, etc) - [to be defined here; e.g. supply assessment, shortage forecasts, etc.]
	Monitoring water availability conditions	
	Identify potential water shortages	